



USDA Forest Service

NOTIFICATION OF FEE INCREASE

The Cherokee National Forest is implementing changes to fees at Rock Creek Recreation Area in the Unaka Ranger District for the 2014 recreation season. The fee changes were approved in March 2014 after careful consideration of public comments, including the recommendations of a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RAC). All fees were evaluated to ensure that the level of benefits and services provided are commensurate with the fee and that fees are comparable to similar public and private sites. The Forest Service will implement the fee changes beginning May 2014.

Specifically, the Cherokee National Forest is implementing the following changes to its current fee structure:

Rock Creek Recreation Area - Unicoi County , TN

Current Fee:

Non-electric, Tent Sites - \$10/night

New Fee:

Non-electric, Tent Sites - \$12/night

Basic Single Electric Hookup - \$15 night

Basic Single Electric Hookup - \$20/night

Basic Double Electric Hookup - \$30/night

Basic Double Electric Hookup - \$40/night

NOTE: The *America the Beautiful Passes* offer a 50% discount off basic camping fees, this does not include fees for electrical hookups.

New fees using America the Beautiful passes:

Non-electric, Tent Sites - \$6/night

Basic Single Electric Hookup - \$15/night

Basic Double Electric Hookup - \$30/night

The Forest Service recognizes how important this site is to our local communities and those who use it. These fee changes will help us maintain the site at the level and quality our visitors have come to expect, especially at a time when we are experiencing tremendous increases in recreation uses in the Cherokee National Forest. In addition, we have made improvements at various sites based on visitor desires and feedback. Fee changes will help to maintain these improvements as expected by those who use the sites.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact Cheryl Summers at 423-638-4109. Thank you for your continued support of the Cherokee National Forest! We hope you enjoy your future visit!

